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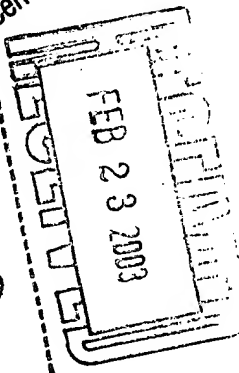
For: BIOMETRIC SYSTEM AND METHOD
FOR IDENTIFYING A CUSTOMER UPON
ENTERING A RETAIL ESTABLISHMENT

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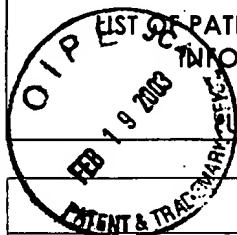
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